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AMBASSADOR VERVEER TO SWEDEN

At a meeting with Ambassador Barzun on October 9, Swedish Minister for International Development Cooperation Gunilla Carlsson invited Ambassador-at-Large Melanne Verveer to visit Sweden to discuss women's and gender issues in developing countries. Carlsson, who would like to see a greater cooperation between the U.S. and Sweden in these areas, proposed that the visit take place at a time on Verveer's convenience after Sweden relinquishes Presidency of the EU on January 1, 2010.
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